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## **Applications for Winter**

Applications are still being accepted for Winter / January Intake. Most programs accept students for Winter Intake; the exceptions are Nursing, Kinesiology, and Education. **Undergraduate programs** on both campuses will commence on **January 6**, **2009**.

# Saint John College (UNB Saint John): Winter Intake & Placement Testing

Intake Dates are: Monday, January 5th, 2008 Monday, March 2, 2008

Placement Testing Dates are: Tuesday, December 16th, 2008 - 3:30 pm Tuesday, January 6th, 2008 - 9:00 am

### English Language Programme (UNB Fredericton): Placement Testing

For students who have received an acceptance letter indicating they are required to be assessed for English language upon their arrival to campus, the following assessment date has been established for the January 2009 session:

Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 10:00 am

### **Employment Opportunities for Students**

Employment can be a good way for students to earn extra income and gain experience while going to school; there are many exciting opportunities for students who want to work while studying at UNB! The following is a brief explanation of the current opportunities available:

Working on Campus: Students may accept part-time employment on campus as long as they are full-time students in a degree program at UNB and hold a valid Study Permit. "On campus" is defined by Citizenship and Immigration Canada as employment facilities within the boundaries of the campus. UNB students are permitted to work at either of the two campuses. There are a number of both short-term and permanent part-time jobs available. Part-time employment opportunities on campus may be advertised through UNB's Human Resources website (http://www.unb.ca/employment.html) and through individual departments on campus.

**Working off Campus:** Beginning in May, 2006, Citizenship and Immigration Canada launched a new "Off Campus Work Program" for international students. Eligible international degree students may now apply for work permits to work off campus for a maximum of 20 hours per week during the semester while studying full time. To be eligible for this program, students must currently be

registered full-time and must have been registered full-time at a participating public post-secondary institution for at least six of the past twelve months. UNB has employment offices on both campuses to assist students in finding suitable work: <a href="http://www.unb.ca/employment/">http://www.unb.ca/employment/</a> (UNB Fredericton), <a href="http://www.unbsj.ca/studentservices/">http://www.unbsj.ca/studentservices/</a> (UNB Saint John).

**Co-operative (Co-op) Education:** Co-op provides students an opportunity for degree-relevant, paid learning experience with academic study. Co-op positions may be available on campus, in New Brunswick, across Canada and even overseas! Many students participate in co-op and those who have completed co-op have found it to be a positive learning experience and helpful when searching for work after graduation. At UNB, a few different faculties offer a co-op option. For more information on faculties offering co-op, as well as their requirements and deadlines: <a href="http://www.unb.ca/co-op/">http://www.unb.ca/co-op/</a>.

Internships: Like co-op, internships provide degree-relevant learning experiences. Different from co-op, internships sometimes allow students to gain course credits or points towards certain courses within their degree. Although sometimes "non-paid," internships teach invaluable lessons and are available in a number of professional companies and organizations which have partnered with UNB to provide training excellence. Kinesiology (<a href="http://www.unbf.ca/Kinesiology/documents/Internship.pdf">http://www.unbf.ca/Kinesiology/documents/Internship.pdf</a>) and Engineering (<a href="http://www.unbf.ca/eng/employment/draftpep.html">http://www.unbf.ca/eng/employment/draftpep.html</a>) offer very successful internship programs at UNB.

**Post-Graduation Employment:** Full-time international students, who graduate from post-secondary institutions in Canada, are eligible to apply to work in Canada for up to 3 years after graduation. They must have a valid study permit and make an application for a work permit within 90 days of completing their degree. Current regulations state job offers are not required and that a postgraduate work permit will only be issued for a maximum of 3 years. These regulations, however, are subject to change. Students are advised to make an appointment with an international student advisor to discuss their options. Both of UNB's campuses have international student advisors who are well-versed in post-graduation employment regulations: <a href="http://www.unbsj.ca/international/message.php">http://www.unbsj.ca/international/message.php</a> (UNB Saint John), <a href="http://www.unbf.ca/isao/">http://www.unbf.ca/isao/</a> (UNB Fredericton).

**Canadian Experience Class:** The Canadian Experience Class (CEC) is a new avenue of immigration for certain temporary foreign workers and foreign student graduates with professional, managerial and skilled work experience. Unlike other programs, the Canadian Experience Class allows an applicant's experience in Canada to be considered a key selection factor when immigrating to Canada. Some of the main requirements include:

- Applicant plans to live outside the province of Quebec
- Applicant is to be either a temporary foreign worker with at least two years of full-time (or equivalent) skilled work experience in Canada, or a foreign graduate from a Canadian post-secondary institution with at least one year of full-time (or equivalent) skilled work experience in Canada
- Applicant has gained experience in Canada with the proper work or study authorization
- Applicants applies while working in Canada or within one year of leaving their job in Canada

For more information on CEC: <a href="http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/immigrate/cec/index.asp">http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/index.asp</a> (Citizen & Immigration).

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#### **IRC** Webpage

http://www.unb.ca/prospective/international/